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Transition metal clad interconnect for integrated circuits.

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Übergangsmetallverbindungen für integrierte Schaltungen.

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Interconnexion en métal de transition pour circuits intégrés.

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Abstract (en)

An integrated circuit includes a patterned aluminum based interconnect clad on the top (15) and side portions (18,20) with a layer of transition metal (16,22). The cladding of transition metal prevents the formation of both vertical hillocks and lateral protrusions. Preventing these formations increases the reliability of an interconnect by significantly reducing passivation cracking and electrical shorting between interconnects which result from vertical hillock and lateral protrusion formations.

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